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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith is a Preliminary Amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☐ Small Entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27 has been established by a Small Entity statement previously submitted.
- ☐ Small Entity statement is enclosed.
- ☐ Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 06-1447 in the amount of \$0.00 . A duplicate copy of this transmittal is enclosed.
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- ☒ The total number of claims remain unchanged and no additional fees are required by this Amendment. The required original filing fees are not enclosed but will be submitted in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application.

- [] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1447. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 06-1447.

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Respectfully submitted,

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The Applicants request that the amendments presented in this Preliminary Amendment be made prior to examination of the Application.

In the Specification

Please amend the Specification as follows:

On the cover page, replace "John _ Duba" with --John C. Duba--.

On the cover page, replace "Kenneth _ Knister" with --Kenneth J. Knister--.

On the cover page, replace "David _ Levitt" with --David J. Levitt--.

On page 1, lines 5-10 delete: "CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS The following U.S. patents and/or patent applications are hereby incorporated by reference: U.S. Patent Application No. _____ titled "_____" filed _____ (Attorney Docket No. 76507-____); U.S. Patent Application No. _____ titled "_____" filed _____ (Attorney Docket No. 76507-____)."

On page 5, line 9, replace "or more) to 8 lbs.)" with --or more)--.

On page 12, line 13, replace "panels on to pallets" with --panels onto pallets--.

On Page 17, line 6, replace "panel 20 may a" with --panel 20 may be of a--.

In the Abstract of the Disclosure

Please substitute the ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE provided with the Application with the new ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE provided on a separate, single sheet.